

# Fast Hybrid Test Platform for Seismic Performance Evaluation of Structural Systems

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## *Features*

### **Hybrid**

*Combine physical testing with model-based simulation.*

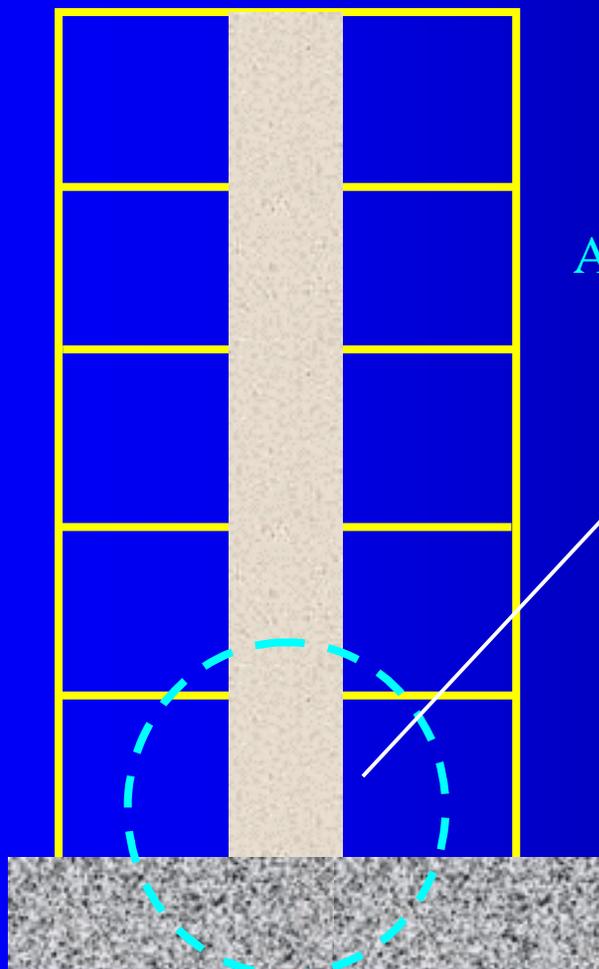
### **Fast**

*Rate of loading in the range of 10 to 100% of real time.*

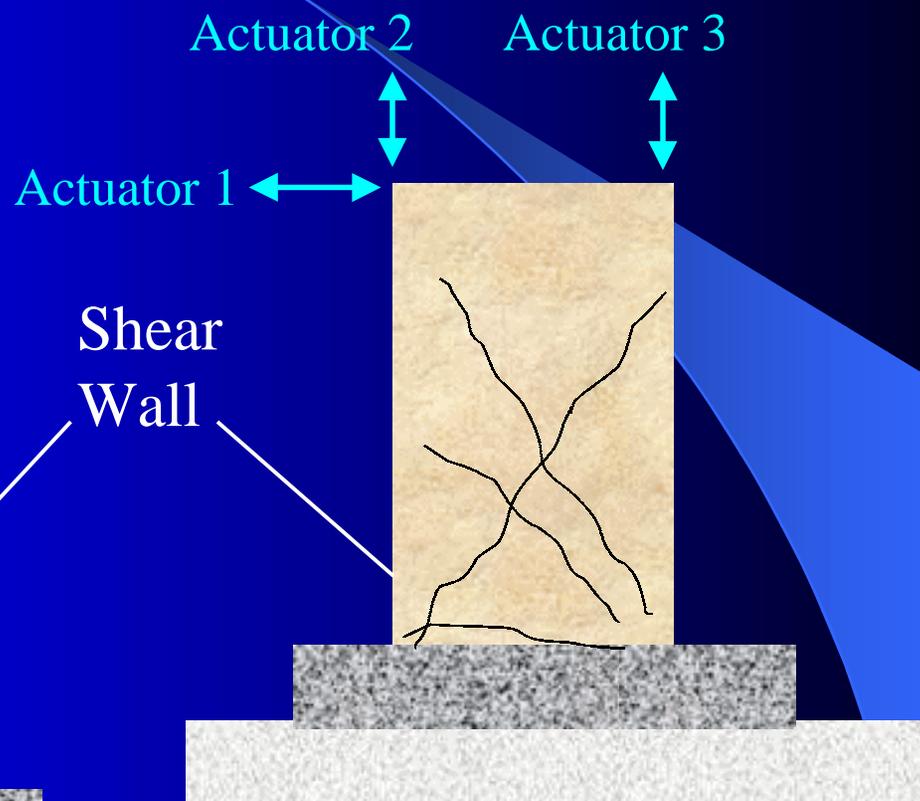
*Actuators in continuous motion.*

# Application

## Computer Model

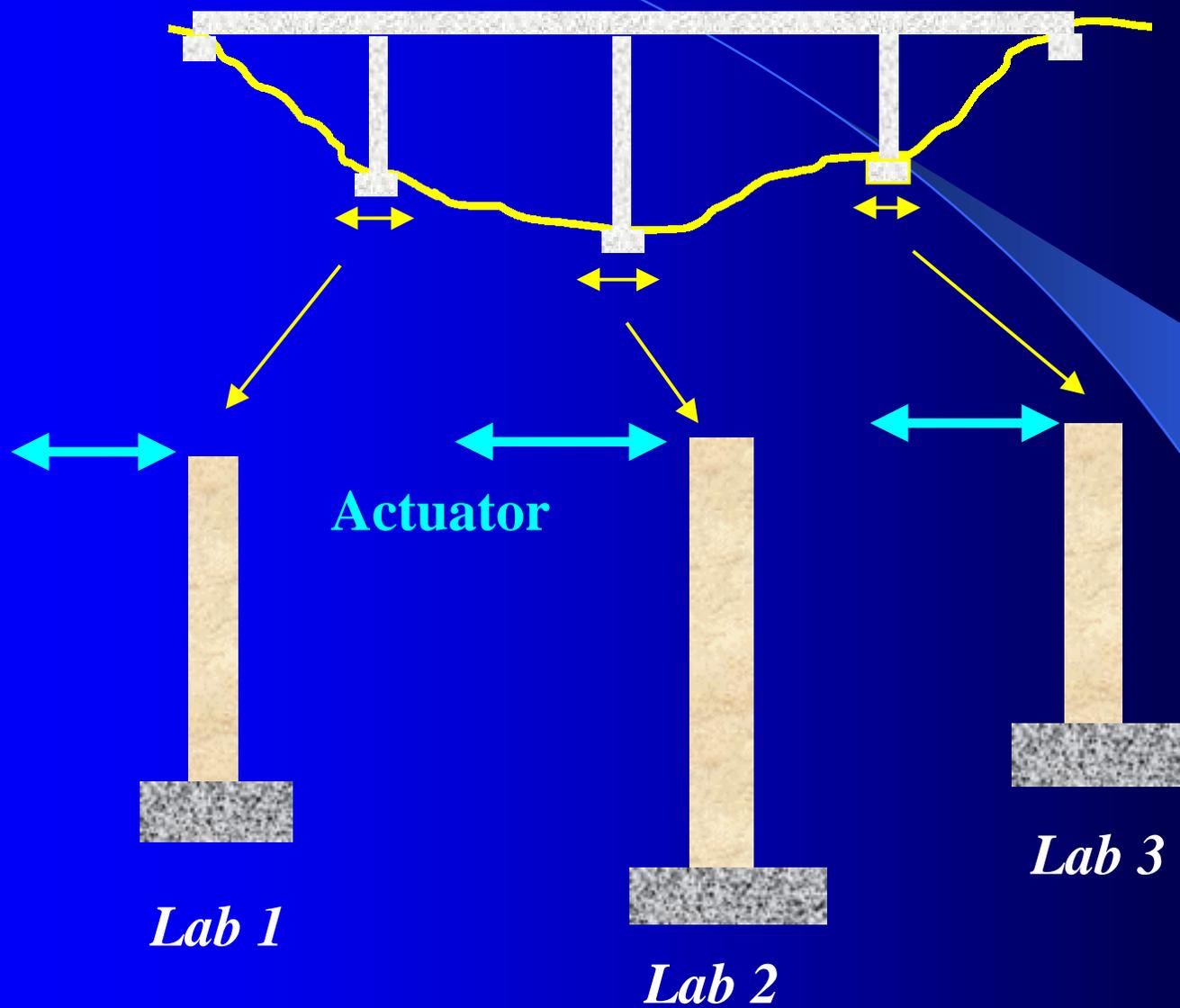


## Test Specimen



*Application*

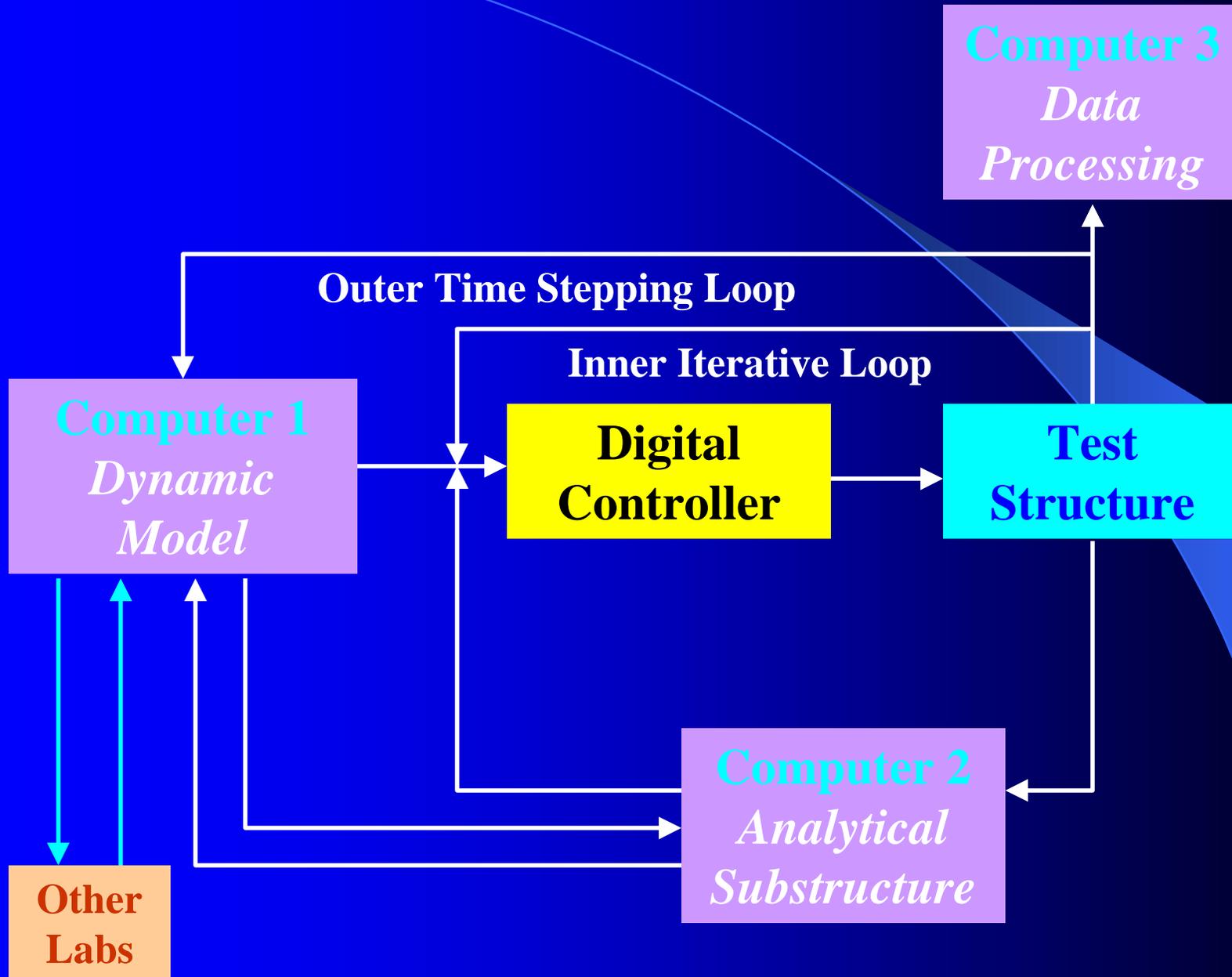
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# Major Equipment

- **A three-channel digital controller with displacement, velocity, and acceleration control.**
- **One 220-kip,  $\pm 5$ -in. stroke actuator with 250-gpm servo-valve.**
- **Upgrade of two existing 110-kip,  $\pm 5$ -in. stroke actuators with 250-gpm servo-valves.**

# *Test Concept*



# Challenges

- **Control of structural displacements in a continuous, fast and precise manner.**
- **An efficient and robust computation scheme with nonlinear substructures.**
- **Innovative software and state-of-the-art hardware to integrate numerical computation with digital control.**

